Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Saturday 12 Aug 2023 until 23:59 on Sunday 13 Aug 2023

Forecast Issued on Saturday 12 Aug 2023 at 02:17 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: Medium due to changeable conditions with low pressure dominating.

Headline for Saturday 12 Aug 2023: Cloudy with outbreaks of rain, but some brighter spells developing. Strong winds over the summits.

Mountain weather hazards on Saturday 12 Aug 2023

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Low Likelihood

Poor visibility
Low Likelihood

Thunderstorms
Low Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
Low Likelihood

Strong sunlight
Low Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Heavy rain showers	Heavy rain showers	Heavy Rain
Precipitation probability					
40%	70%	40%	40%	40%	40%

Forecast for Saturday 12 Aug 2023

Weather: Cloud tending to thicken and lower overnight with outbreaks of rain. Cloudy with outbreaks of rain during the morning, heavy and persistent at times, the risk of the odd rumble of thunder. Some drier spells developing in the afternoon and evening with skies brightening and the cloud lifting, but still a scattering of heavy, perhaps thundery, showers.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 60%, mostly likely in the afternoon and evening.

Low cloud and visibility: Occasional or extensive cloud at first, base 300 to 600m, rising near or above the summits in the afternoon and evening. Visibility moderate or poor in rain and showers, and very poor at times at height, but often good or very good in the afternoon and evening.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	32/37 SE	25/30 SE	21/28 S	19/25 S	16/21 SW	18/23 S	18/24 S
900	28/33 SE	23/28 SE	20/27 S	18/24 S	15/21 SW	17/23 S	17/23 S
600	20/25 SE	16/22 SE	16/23 S	14/20 S	12/18 SW	13/18 S	13/19 S
300	2/21 SE	3/20 SE	6/20 S	5/19 S	4/15 SW	6/17 S	6/17 S
Glen	10/23 SE	10/21 SE	10/21 S	10/20 S	8/17 S	8/16 S	7/17 S

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	8/4	9/5	9/6	10/7	9/6	8/5	8/4
900	9/5	10/6	10/7	11/8	10/7	9/6	9/6
600	12/8	12/9	13/10	13/11	12/10	11/9	11/8
300	14/14	14/14	15/15	16/16	15/14	13/12	13/12
Glen	17/15	16/15	18/16	18/17	17/16	15/14	15/14
Freezing Level*	2600m	2700m	2500m	2500m	2500m	2300m	2300m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Feeling chilly on the tops in heavy rain and strong winds.

Forecast for Sunday 13 Aug 2023
Weather: Cloudy at first across Skye and the south with showers or the odd longer spell of rain, heavy at times. Otherwise bright spells with occasional heavy, slow moving and perhaps thundery showers.

Maximum wind: South or Southwest 15mph gusts 25mph.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 30% at first in the south, otherwise 70%.

Low cloud and visibility: Extensive cloud at first in the south, base 300 to 600m, but mainly near or above the summits. Visibility moderate or poor in rain or showers, and very poor at height at first in the south, otherwise good or very good.

Temperature: **Glens:** 10 Celsius rising to 19 Celsius
At 800m: Plus 7 Celsius rising to 11 Celsius
Freezing level: Above the summits

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